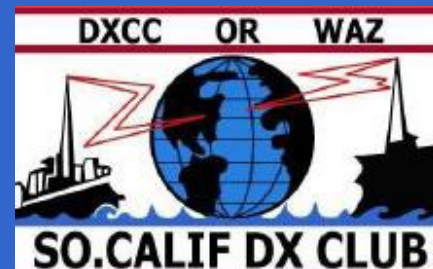


SCDXC Newsletter



The Southern California DX Club is a group of dedicated men and women active in the amateur radio community who enjoy communicating over the air with other radio amateurs around the world.

The SCDXC strongly supports the DX Code of Conduct. Please visit their website:

www.dx-code.org

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Any questions regarding this newsletter or its articles should be addressed to the Editor, Bill, N6RV at:

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Club meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM except April, June and December.

Please check the club web site for events and details at:

<http://www.scdxc.org>

If you are in the area please say hello on our repeater:

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If you need him get in there and work him"



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From the Desk of the President Doug Dowds, W6HB

Bands continue to be erratic and somewhat noisy at my QTH. Despite the low sun spot numbers there remains DX to be had for those who have adequate patience.

I am looking forward to this year's holiday party at the Reef where we turn the reins over to your new officers. Be sure to join in on the frivolities and spend quality time with your friends. Be sure to thank Sharon, K6IRD, for making all the arrangements with the venue on our behalf. I want to thank all the SCDXC members who made 2016 a positive year for our club and me personally.

Mel, K6SY, and I have already had a few discussions about events and programs for 2017. We can always use fresh ideas and meeting programs. Please E-mail anything you have to offer or would like to see to both of us.

It may seem like a long way off but HAMCON 2017 and IDXC 2018 will be here before you know it. Please get in touch with Mel, K6SY, and me to sign up to support HAMCON's program and fliers project. The SCDXC will also be promoting DXing from two booths inside the main vendor hall and we will need staffing during all three days. The joint chairs for the IDXC are Kris, KC6TOD, and Cathy, K6VC. Standby to be drafted for our convention that is only 17 months away.

In an effort to keep this your club feel free to contact me anytime via E-mail at w6hb@arrl.net. I cannot guarantee to please everyone all the time but your thoughts will not go unheard and will be reviewed by your Board of Directors.

73 - Doug - W6HB

**Seasons Greetings
and
Merry Christmas!!!**



December Calendar

Dec. 4	Holiday Party (No monthly meeting)
Dec. 10	ARRL 10 Meter Contest
Dec. 17	Stew Perry Top Band Contest
Dec. 25	Christmas!!!

Vice President's Corner

George Jacob, N6VNI

First I want to thank the Board for calling me back to active duty as the Vice President for the remaining six months of 2016, it was fun.

Some of the activities that were a tremendous success this year. The club picnic. A big thank you to all the members who helped set up and to the cooks who had all the food cooked and hot and ready to go for the membership Thank you. The summer bash. A major thank you to Bill and his lovely wife Leida for hosting the bash at their home. A special thanks to the summer bash committee that set the menu, and the gentlemen who did all the cooking thank you.

The annual Anchors Away meeting went well. I can't tell you much about it. The morning of the meeting I lost my voice and I still have not gotten it back so I did not attend. However, I would like to thank Jeff and Skip for conducting the meeting.

The new board was voted on and they are set and ready to go on One January 2017.

The Holiday Party is just a few weeks away. There is still time to make your reservations. The party will be held at the Reef Restaurant Long Beach on December 4th 2016 from 12:00 Noon until 4 P.m. If you need any help making your reservations get in touch with Kris Jacob at KC6TOD@HOTMAIL.COM HOME PHONE 562 691 7898 CELL PHONE 562 619 8870 she will be glad to help you.

I would like to wish all the club members and their families a HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON.

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George T. Jacob Jr. N6VNI
SCDXC VICE PRESIDENT
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2017 Board of Directors

Elected

President:	Doug Dowds	W6HB
Vice President:	Mel Hughes	K6SY
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"Here's a message from Milwaukee"

This thought: I wish I knew that the moment I heard there was an Schlitz reception in good. For Schlitz is a very good taste that beer - love - as changing to with ultra-high frequency. Taste Schlitz yourself. You'll soon know why.

Schlitz tastes so good to so many people, it's first in sales in the U.S.A.

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Rumors on the Band

We have some DX surprises at the end of the year. Keep on listening!

QTH	Call	Start Date	End Date	Information
Kenya	5Z4	Now	30-Nov	5Z4/DJ6TF and 5Z4/DL7KL, 80-10m, CW SSB
Cambodia	XU7AEZ	Now	Dec05	Russian team, HF
Chatham Isl	ZL7	Now	1-Dec	JA1XGI
Tanzania	5H3MB	Now	2-Dec	IK2GZU, 80-10m, SSB CW RTTY
Norfolk I	VK9NF	Now	3-Dec	NL8F NX1P, 160-10m, SSB CW RTTY
Maldives	<u>8Q7SP</u>	Now	3-Dec	SP6EQZ SP2FAX SP3CYY SP3FZN SP6FX Y SP6JIU SP9FOW SP3SLA , 160-10m, CW SSB RTTY
Mauritius	<u>3B8</u>	Now	6-Dec	3B8/DJ7RJ, 160-10m
Cambodia	XU7AEZ	Now	5-Dec	Russian team, HF
Grenada	J3	Now	5-Dec	J3/VE7ACN, 40-10m, CW, SSB
Rodriguez Isl	<u>3B9HA</u>	Now	12-Dec	G0CKV
DR Congo	9Q0HQ/3	Now	25-Dec	IS0BWM, all bands, SSB
Niger	5U7RK	Now	31-Dec	F5PRU during free time
Rwanda	<u>9X0JW</u>	Now	30-Dec	KB1ZSQ
St. Martin	<u>FS</u>	1-Dec	10-Dec	FS/ K9NU & FS/N8TK
Palestine	<u>E44QX</u>	8-Dec	12-Dec	DF8DX
Kerguelin	<u>FT4X</u>			End of the year operation

For Sale:

6 meter Heathkit SB221 amp - 1000 watts out - \$800 (King conversion)

6 meter Kenwood TL-922A - 1500 watts out - \$700

John, N6QQ 562-404-1112

DX Standings

Here are the updated standings. So far no one has emailed any changes. All changes were taken from Club Log.

If you have updates to your standings we are more than happy to modify the lists please email us at the address below with your new standings!

N6RV@SCDXC.org

SCDXC WAZ and DXCC Standings

The first WAZ column is the confirmed zone count on 10 bands 160 - 6 (less 60 meters). The second column is the regular 5BWAZ confirmed count. The following are the codes that follow the two columns and indicate the awards:

M	Mixed
P	Phone
C	CW
R	RTTY
5	5 Band

The first DXCC column is the confirmed entity count with deleted countries. The second column is the confirmed current entity count. The third column is the challenge slots.

The members highlighted in **Red** are at the top of the Honor Roll. Those in **Blue** are on the Honor Roll

SCDXC Southern California Members Standings 2016

Rank	Call	Total	Current	Slots	Rank	Call	Total	Current	Slots
1	W6KH	388	339		52	N6NPG	319		
2	K6YRA	377	339	2272	53	AC6DX	319	317	1861
3	K6EXO	370	332		54	AK6I	316		
4	N6UC	366	339		55	N6YQ	315		
5	K6YUI	365	339	2590	56	KC6T	314		
6	W6BCQ	365	339	1522	57	N6GP	314	286	1583
7	NS6C	360	339	2456	58	N6VNI	309	306	1452
8	K6SMF	360	337		59	W6HB	306	307	1445
9	W6HT	358	339		60	NK6A	303	297	957
10	W6SR	358	339	2799	61	K6IRD	294	292	649
11	WA6WZO	357	339		62	N6UOZ	280		
12	K6FG	356	339	2744	63	KT6LA	278	276	1027
13	K8RD	356	339		64	WA6WXD	274		
14	K6GXO	355	339	2624	65	K6VC	259		
15	N6RV	355	338	1973	66	N6VOH	243		
16	W6IRD	354	337		67	W6DOE	242		
17	K5KT	353	339		68	K6SS	241	255	882
18	N6QQ	353	337	2164	69	W6LEN	236	216	771
19	W6TJI	353	335		70	N6HE	228		
20	N7NR	352		1123	71	KQ6K	224		
21	W8DX	352	339	2517	72	N6AA	222		
22	W6OU	352	333	1570	73	K6JEY	220		
23	W6TK	350	339	1781	74	K6AWB	219		
24	W6YOO	349	338	2129	75	W6WVW	210		
25	N6AWD	349	337	1466	76	W6JEA	195		
26	N6HC	348	339	2254	77	W6KC	195	194	528
27	W6KK	348	339	1747	78	K6DDJ	188	185	452
28	W6VX	348	338	2742	79	K6QU	172	2	2
29	N6WS	348	336	1862	80	NC6B	170	170	479
30	AI6Z	348	335	2145	81	KB6CIO	167		
31	N6IC	347	336		82	K7LA	160	160	355
32	WA5VGI	347	336	2687	83	W6QE	149	149	224
33	N6HY	345	336	2424	84	KF6I	143		
34	KR6C	344	338	1956	85	AB9A	141		
35	K6LPO	344	221	1236	86	KK6FJQ	139	139	142
36	N6PE	343	331	1251	87	K6MKL	126	126	185
37	N6PEQ	341	334	1793	88	K6DSW	122	122	268
38	KM6HB	340	333	1745	89	KC6TOD	120		
39	W6ZPL	338	335	1367	90	AD6LV	118		
40	N6XT	337	330		91	N6RU	118	118	218
41	K6RO	336	331	1531	92	N6DBF	117	117	301
42	W6SW	336	318	501	93	N6PM	114	113	243
43	W6FL	335			94	KA6D	107		
44	K2IXQ	335	331	1694	95	N6LL	105		
45	N6MXU	332	329	1216	96	W6DAW	105		
46	K6SY	332	322	1037	97	K6BBC	103		
47	KØOK	329	327	1728	98	N6HD	101		
48	AB6CF	328		1404	99	NQ6L	101		
49	N6AX	325			100	WA6MEM	100		
50	K6JW	325	319	1057	101	NE6V	87	87	150
51	AA6PW	320		1559	102	KK6ABZ	13	13	23

SCDXC Member at Large Standings 2016

Rank	Call	Total	Current	Slots	Rank	Call	Total	Current	Slots
1	K6KII	387	339		9	K6ND	347	339	2491
2	JA1BK	382	339	3094	10	SM5GMZ	343	333	2180
3	OH2BH	377	339		11	K7ACZ	341	324	1746
4	ON4UN	371	339	1969	12	W6DR	323	318	1365
5	DJ9ZB	365	339	2653	13	N6DHZ	295	289	1053
6	K6IPV	362	334	1711	14	W3SE/ZL3TE	293	291	1382
7	N4XX	358	339	1598	15	K7MY	267	265	831
8	KC6X	349	335	1987					

WAZ Standings

Call	10B / 5B	Awards
K6HD	378 / 200	M/5
W6SR	369 / 200	M/P/C/R/5
K6FG	363 / 197	M/P/C/R/5
WA5VGI	357 / 200	M/P/C/5
W8DX	357 / 200	M/5
EU7SA	357 / 200	M/5
H6AW	355 / 200	M/P/C/5
K6YRA	337 / 200	P/5
K6YUI	337 / 200	M/P/C/R/5
WD6L	248 / 200	M/P/5
H6OU	220 / 200	M/5
K6UIR	/ 200	M/P/5
W6VX	352 / 199	
HS6C	198 / 198	
K6GXO	358 / 198	M
SM5GMZ	345 / 196	M/P/C
W6EHZ	306 / 196	
H6MXU	155 / 193	
K2PLF	191 / 191	
H6RV	302 / 187	M/P/C
KC6X	294 / 187	M/P/C/5
H6QQ	325 / 186	M/P/C/R
K6LD	314 / 186	M/P/C
W6YOO	308 / 185	M/P/C/5
KH6DX/m	210 / 184	
KØOK	286 / 173	
K6SY	246 / 173	P
W6ZPL	237 / 173	M/P
KJ6Y	261 / 172	
KR6C	295 / 171	M/C
AD6KQ	226 / 164	
H6DHZ	214 / 160	P
K6KII	191 / 177	M
KH6MB	181 / 174	
W6DR	227 / 159	
HK6A	152 / 152	M/5
W6HRO	180 / 147	M/P
WA6BOB	152 / 136	M
W6IRD	151 / 111	M/P
W5DQ	161 / 122	
K6IRD	154 / 126	M/P
WB6PSY	139 / 140	P
KT6LA	132 / 103	
H6HE	130 / 138	
W3SE	102 / 112	
K6IRA	118 / 102	
K6VC	96 / 96	P
W6EA	92 / 86	
H6UC	78 / 78	M
KA6TTV	82 / 67	
H6VIII	86 / 64	
H6RRY	74 / 64	
H6GIL	49 / 43	
W6DCK	40 / 40	P
K6JW	40 / 40	M/P
K6YR	39 / 39	
W6DOE	37 / 37	
HZ6L	36 / 36	
W4EF	29 /	
H6AWD		M
H6HC		M/P/C
KB6KTV		P
W6OES		M
K8RD		C

Get Schroeder Award Standings as of 11-24-16

2016 Get Schroeder Top 10						
Entities Worked by Members:						280
2015 Members						274
2016 Club Log Leaders						288
2015 Club Log Leaders						303
Rank	Call	Entities	Delta	Missed	-QQ	Uniques
						12
1	N6QQ	262	7	18	0	3
2	N6WS	261	8	19	1	2
3	W6TK	239	4	41	23	0
4	W8DX	239	10	41	23	1
5	NS6C	237	14	43	25	1
6	NC6B	226	20	54	36	0
7	N6RV	218	18	62	44	1
8	NE6V	209	10	71	53	0
9	AI6Z	205	8	75	57	0
10	K7ACZ	200	8	80	62	0

1A0	4S	7Q	A3	CE9	E7	FK	GI	HS	KH0	LY	PJ5	SV9	TU	VK9C	VU	YV
1S	4U1TU	7X	A4	CN	EA	FKC	GJ	HV	KH1	LZ	PJ7	T2	TZ	VK9L	VU4	YV0
3A	4U1UN	8P	A5	CO	E6	FM	GM	HZ	KH2	OA	PJ3	T3	TY	VK9M	VU7	Z2
3B7	4W	8Q	A6	CP	E8	FO	GU	I	KH3	OD	PY0F	T31	UA	VK9N	XE	Z3
3B8	4X	8R	A7	CT	E9	FO/A	GW	ISO	KH4	OE	PY0S	T32	UA	VK9W	XF4	Z8
3B9	5A	9A	A9	CT3	E1	FO/C	H4	J2	KH5	OH	PY0T	T33	UA2	VK9X	XT	Z8
3C	5B	9G	AP	CU	EK	FO/M	H40	J3	KH6	OH0	PZ	T5	UJ	VP2E	XU	ZB2
3C0	5H	9H	BS7H	CX	EL	FP	HA	J5	KH7K	OJ0	R1F	T7	UN	VP2M	XW	ZC4
3D2	5N	9J	BU	CY0	EP	FR	HB	J6	KH8	OK	S0	T8	UR	VP2V	XX9	ZD7
3D2C	5R	9K	BV8P	CY9	ER	FRG	HB0	J7	KH8S	OM	S2	TA	V2	VP5	XZ	ZD8
3D2R	5T	9L	BY	D2	ES	FRJ	HC	J8	KH9	ON	S5	TF	V3	VP6	YA	ZD9
3DA	5U	9M2	C2	D4	ET	FS	HC3	JA	KL7	OK	S7	TG	V4	VP6D	YB	ZF5
3V	5V7	9M6	C3	D6	EU	FS	HH	JD1M	KP1	OY	S9	TI	V5	VP8	YI	ZK3
3W	5W	9N	C5	DL	EX	FS	HI	JD1O	KP2	OZ	SM	T9	V6	VP8/G	YJ	ZL7
3XA	5X	9Q	C6	DU	EY	FT5X	HK	JT	KP4	P2	SP	TJ	V7	VP8/H	YK	ZL7
3Y/B	5Z	9R	C9	E3	EZ	FT5Z	HK0/M	JW	KP5	P4	ST	TK	V8	VP8/O	YL	ZL8
3Y/P	6W	9V	CE	E4	F	FW	HK0/S	JX	LA	P5	SV	TL	VE	VP8/S	YN	ZL9
4J	6Y	9X	CE0X	E5/N	FG	FY	HL	JY	LU	PA	SV	TN	VK	VP9	YO	ZP
4L	7O	9Y	CE0Y	E5/S	FH	G	HP	K	LX	PJ2	SV/A	TR	VK0H	V09	YS	ZS
4O	7P	A2	CE0Z	E6	FJ	GD	HR	KG4	PJ4	SV5	TT	VK0M	VR	YT	ZS8	

Last month conditions in general improved. The A index was high however, at least it did not go through the ceiling. The increase in activity also aided the DXCC count. Activity is increasing in the lower WARC bands. As expected 10 and 15 have been severely affected but 15m -12m have had some surprises even unusual paths. Long Path in the afternoon over SA on 40 through 17 has been prevalent.

Looking at the top of the ClubLog heap we see a lot of activity. John, N6QQ, is ranked at #10 in North America and Bill, N6WS is at #14 with VE3VEE the only non US above them. The least entities added this month by one of the top 10 is 4. The greatest was 20 by NC6B. Even John added 7 entities.

There were many members hard at it. The greatest increase for this month we Tim, N6GP with 68 entities and Beckie, KK6FJQ, with 37. One can not go with out mentioning John, N6AX, and James, W6OU who have been steadily working stations. For several weeks the numbers were tracked daily and every few days both worked one or two. That is all it takes to move up the ladder.

Comparing SCDXC standings against the top ClubLog operators we see a delta of 11 entities. Actually we worked 3 entities that the top they didn't, 4U1UN, VK0/M, and VU4. All of these were uniquely reported by one member. On the reverse side the top ClubLog ops reported 6 unique entities, 3B7, E5/N, J2, TJ, VP8/O, and ZS8. It has not been confirmed if these were active however it is possible.

At the January meeting the winner will be announced so please make sure you have all the updates in by year end. Also in February there will be an article with the statistics on all the DX worked for the year based on ClubLog so please keep your standings fresh!

Get Schroeder Award Standings are calculated by your entries in Club Log.

To learn how to use club log and enter your countries see <http://www.scdxc.org/dx-standings.html>

SCDXC Get Schroeder Standings 2016																		
Rank	Call	160	80	60	40	30	20	17	15	12	10	6	Total	Slots	Yrs			
1	N6QQ	0	1	0	157	127	234	183	200	85	115	3	262	1105	59			
2	N6WS	6	70	7	191	155	226	173	176	58	70	6	261	1138	52			
3	W6TK	4	48	0	159	90	207	156	173	30	65	0	239	932	59			
4	W8DX	1	28	0	109	39	129	59	57	21	24	1	239	468	59			
5	NS6C	28	49	0	86	70	141	68	55	27	21	6	237	551	59			
6	NC6B	11	30	1	122	18	188	89	131	33	46	3	226	672	2			
7	N6RV	0	0	0	126	74	128	90	103	27	43	6	218	597	48			
8	NE6V	12	63	0	111	0	168	89	116	20	45	5	209	629	20			
9	AI6Z	1	33	0	93	38	153	36	129	20	46	0	205	549	23			
10	K7ACZ	5	33	0	98	37	151	57	102	22	54	1	200	560	13			
11	K0OK	0	10	0	48	36	69	60	79	29	35	0	184	366	44			
12	N6AX	4	16	0	61	36	87	81	83	24	42	2	179	436	47			
13	W6OU	7	35	0	85	30	96	54	58	22	19	1	160	407	53			
14	K6IPV	17	18	0	47	42	71	63	61	32	30	2	156	383	61			
15	W6SR	6	26	0	59	6	120	9	125	6	58	14	155	429	49			
16	ZL3TE	1	28	0	109	85	85	42	83	25	19	1	151	478	12			
17	K6QU	0	15	0	62	51	90	34	26	9	10	0	147	297	2			
18	N6VNI	0	21	0	55	10	81	20	68	9	12	2	143	278	27			
19	N6HY	11	32	1	76	33	43	35	63	25	25	0	127	344	63			
20	NK6A	0	0	0	26	5	68	6	93	4	45	0	109	247	71			
21	K6DDJ	0	3	0	29	16	49	37	34	17	12	0	109	197	21			
22	KK6FJQ	0	0	0	26	5	29	23	47	6	10	0	98	146	3			
23	K6FG	4	6	0	36	7	65	29	19	4	6	6	95	182	60			
24	N6PM	0	1	0	35	11	55	23	65	0	29	1	92	220	22			
25	W6DR	6	7	0	37	4	66	1	36	0	15	0	91	172	36			
26	N6DBF	0	2	8	44	11	50	10	54	5	22	1	89	207	30			
27	N6PE	2	24	0	29	7	59	9	62	9	27	2	84	230	51			
28	N6RU	0	2	0	3	0	25	5	54	2	37	0	75	128	8			
29	N6GP	0	6	0	16	9	29	10	26	10	24	3	74	133	27			
30	W6LEN	2	3	0	26	23	39	30	28	9	10	0	73	170	37			
31	KM6HB	0	9	0	21	20	24	30	27	17	14	2	68	164	25			
32	SM5GMZ	2	4	0	12	14	20	22	17	12	3	0	68	106	47			
33	W6QE	0	0	0	0	1	41	8	23	1	8	1	68	83	22			
35	AC6DX	0	7	0	17	7	14	6	7	4	45	2	62	109	9			
36	K7MY	0	1	0	2	2	22	3	56	3	14	0	62	103	39			
37	K6DSW	0	0	0	27	0	32	1	42	0	24	3	61	129	9			
38	K6PGH	0	0	0	1	0	37	2	32	0	13	0	55	85	3			
39	K6MKL	0	0	0	2	0	31	0	24	0	0	0	49	57	2			
40	KT6LA	0	0	0	9	0	21	0	29	1	0	0	48	60	10			
41	K6IRD	0	0	0	1	0	19	1	10	1	14	0	43	46	12			
42	KR6C	2	1	0	7	4	15	5	4	3	2	0	31	43	38			
44	K6SS	0	2	0	3	2	15	0	3	0	1	0	22	26	3			
45	K7LA	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	18	1	3	0	22	24	16			
46	W6SW	0	0	0	0	0	13	6	6	1	0	0	19	26	37			
48	K6JW	0	1	0	7	6	8	5	2	2	1	0	14	32	57			
49	W6VX	3	2	0	8	6	5	4	5	2	2	1	13	38	37			
50	K6SY	4	1	0	5	0	2	2	2	3	0	0	12	19	47			
51	W6ZPL	0	0	0	3	0	7	1	5	0	0	0	10	16	18			
52	KK6ABZ	0	0	0	1	0	5	1	0	0	4	0	10	11	3			
53	SM5X	0	2	0	4	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	7	18	12			
54	N6DHZ	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	6	6	28			
55	W6YOO	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	4	4	42			
56	W6IRD	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	47			

The Adventures of K5KT & K5KKT Continue!

We recently were on another cruise, with a few encounters with fellow Amateur Radio Operators. This adventure started on 22 Sep when we flew to Vancouver, BC and then took a Shuttle to Whistler (bout a two-hour ride) for a few days before our 28 day Holland America Cruise to Hong Kong. I had previously QSO'd Alex, VA7AHK on the ANZA (Australian/New Zealand DX Net - 0515Z on 14.183) and had 'warned' him of our schedule to arrive there in Whistler. We stayed at a Vacation's Club resort - the Mountain Side Lodge (an SVC property) and it was quite a nice place for the few days we were there, very conveniently located in Whistler Village - a rather large and very busy area, even in Sep, it is especially known for snow skiing in winter time ... I called Alex after our arrival and he arranged to pick us up the next day to 'tour' the area. As a rather senior executive for a couple of First Nation (Canada's name for their indigenous people) organizations, he was able to take the time to show us around; he also knows the area VERY well too. It was quite a nice day with visits to many memorable spots, especially including the Whistler venues for the Skiing competition of the Winter sports of the XXI Olympic Winter Games in 2010. We also were treated to extraordinary views of the mountainous area as well and notable (local) developments. It was quite a treat to see so much of the area in so little time - especially since we did not have an auto while there.



We took the shuttle back to Vancouver to prepare for boarding the Volendam on 28 Sep for cruising the Inside Passage before stops in Ketchikan & Juneau, AK and then cruising the remarkable, beautiful Glacier Bay. Cruising along the Aleutian chain to a scheduled stop at Dutch Harbor, I called NL8F (Tim and I QSO'd on 40M one evening and when I found him to be in DH, I emailed him of our pending stop there. Tim has been on numerous DX-peditions, especially C21A and several VK9 operations. He invited me to call him on 145.52 (which I did with my HT - only reason I brought it along). He was there waiting for us as we got off the ship. Since he owned his own business, he could take the day to show us around.. As so many in that part of the world, he had a heavy pickup truck (with king cab). Dutch Harbor is quite an isolated place; but, also remarkable in it's beauty and history (as noted in some attached pictures). Tim is quite acclimatized to the area and for good reason. IT IS VERY WINDY, and COLD from time to time but, almost always VERY WINDY!!!! Three especially interesting spots were the Russian Orthodox Church, a World War II gun emplacements high on a hill, and the World War II Museum that included Radio Equipment (even some I recognized). Another spot was a local restaurant for lunch with some of the biggest King Crab I'd ever seen; Yes, I had some for lunch too!!! Such a place has a few big benefits; but, health care is not one of them. All they have there is a Nurse and NO hospital.. ANYONE with anything serious must be MED-EVACKED to Anchorage.



A third Amateur Radio Operator 'encounter' was while aboard ship, we sat for lunch up on the Lido Deck as we sometimes did.. Since it was quite crowded, we found a couple of open spots open at a table with another couple already there. I don't recall how the subject came up; but, I found him to be an Italian Ham who lived part time in Italy, Argentina, & Florida. He spoke very good English. I speak virtually NO foreign languages, so we were able to talk a bit.. He was not very active but did have several Calls. Needless to say, we tend to be a bit talkative when around other Radio types.. I had requested a tour of the Communications capability / equipment on-board the ship but was told there was NONE. I guess they totally rely on Satellite and other means for Comms. We all know that can be a bit risky/spotty but, then again, so is HF.



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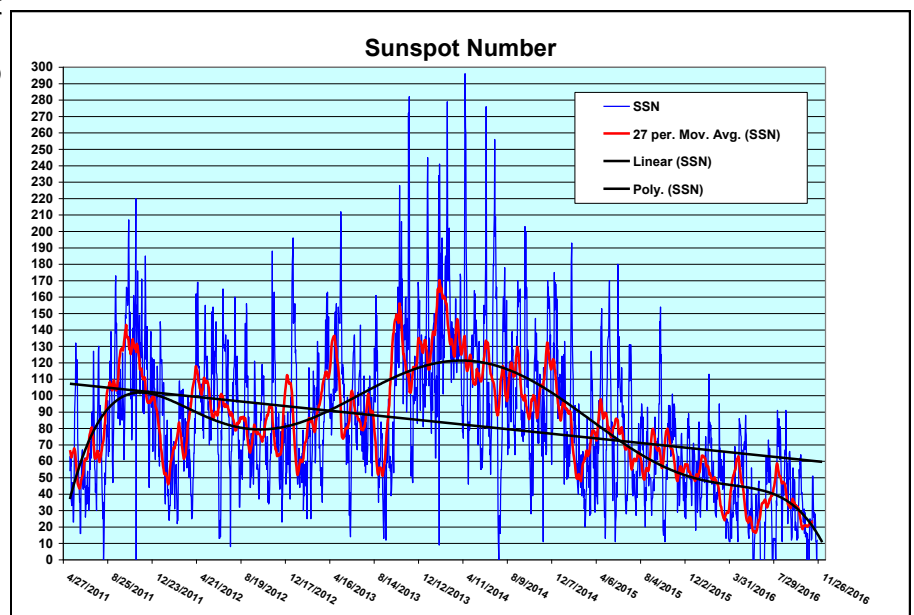
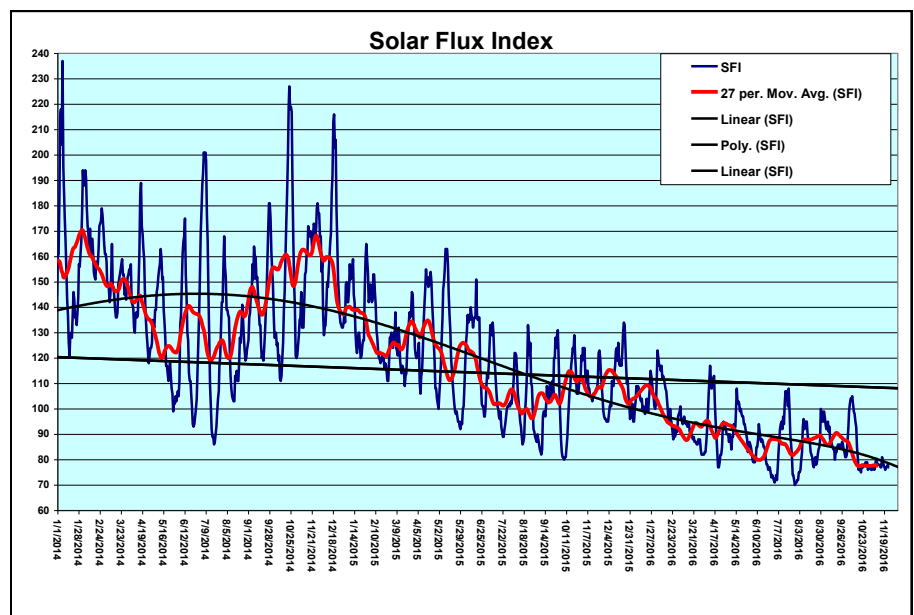
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Propagation

You can always depend on the solar cycle declining after the peak. Still there are many bumps and dips that yield some interesting propagation. Factor in the seasonal effects and it is as random as can be.

Just because we are heading towards the minimum does not mean there is no DX to be had! If you missed last months frolic know that as many as 133 entities could have been worked from the West Coast. Look at the Club Log stats. It will amaze you. With the exception of the higher bands and the addition of the lower bands this year is exceeding last year for DX entities.

Now that the California cold season is upon us and we are all bundled up maybe we should be sitting in front of the radio rather than in front of the boob tube!





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